MAISON A.E. DOR COGNAC VSOP FINE CHAMPAGNE



Maison A.E. Dor was founded in 1858 in Jarnac as a family-run Cognac house dedicated to producing some of the world's finest distilled spirits. Over the years A.E. Dor became renowned for their large stocks of aged Cognacs housed in a unique sanctuary known in Cognac as "Le Paradis." The firm was eventually sold to the Rivière family. In 2015, it became part of Maison

Ansac. Many of the current blends were created by Odile Rivière in the 1980s, a rare woman in the Cognac trade who was known for her extraordinary palate and proved to be an excellent Maître de Chai (cellar master). Her blends are considered among the best in the world. Experience, talent, dedication and the gift of time now contribute to A.E. Dor's range of Cognacs from the smooth VS to the profoundly mellow XO Fine Champagne, to their renowned "Number Series" of sumptuous Grande Champagne Cognacs, including the more than century-old #11. At every level of quality, the Cognacs of A.E. Dor are aged well beyond the legal minimums, giving their Cognacs great depth of aroma and flavor and a remarkably mellow character.

Region:CharentesAppellation:CognacEstablished:1858Farming Practices:Sustainable

Soil: Sand, clay and limestone

Vineyard: Blend of Grande Champagne and Petite Champagne Cognacs

Grape Varieties: 100% Ugni Blanc

Age of Spirits: 8 years (legal minimum for VSOP is 4 years)

Distillation and Aging: After traditional double distillation in a Charentais pot still, the young spirit is put into Limousin and Troncais oak casks to age and mellow. The spirit is reduced with deionized water to 80-proof before bottling. Constant tasting by the maître de chais (cellar master) determines the type of barrel, length of aging necessary and the blending of spirits from different sectors of the Cognac region to attain the style and quality desired. The minimum age refers to the youngest spirit in the blend. A.E. Dor VSOP Fine Champagne is a blend from Grand Champagne and Petite Champagne sectors, aged for 8 years.

Tasting Notes: This Cognac has a generous and more intense bouquet of floral tones which develops immediately in the glass. Finesse and fine length result from the marriage of the two best Cognac growths: Grande Champagne and Petite Champagne. Extended barrel age gives added complexity and lends viscosity to its smooth, round character accentuated by aging in a humid cellar.

